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11. (SBU) As per reftel B demarche instructions, and as reported in reftel A, the Ambassador delivered a demarche to the Minister of Finance on April 17 regarding Kosovo's IMF and World Bank membership bids. On April 30, the Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Finance told Economic Counselor that Nigeria will vote in favor of Kosovo's IMF and World Bank memberships before the voting deadlines, and possibly as early as Monday, May 4.

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